

BLM-Utah Price



Recreation Insider

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Upcoming Meetings

April 8, 2015

A recreation planning meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m., at the BLM Price Field Office 125 S. 600 W. Price, Utah. Anyone interested in outdoor recreation on BLM-managed lands in Carbon and Emery Counties is welcome to attend.

Volunteer Projects

March 28, 2015
Buckmaster trail maintenance

April 2-6, 2015
Easter Weekend Monitoring

April 11, 2015
Gordon Creek trail maintenance. Dedicated hunter hours will be available.

April 18, 2015
Behind the Reef and Waterfall trail maintenance

More information about these projects will be sent out as the date nears.

If you would like to be added to our email list, please contact Jaydon Mead at the Price Field Office.

Meet the New Ranger

Price Field Office staff are excited to welcome new Law Enforcement Ranger, Becky Andres, to the BLM Price team. Ranger Andres has a diverse background in archaeology, fire and Forest Service law enforcement. Ranger Andres has 12 years of government service and comes to Price from Missoula, Montana. She enjoys fishing, motorcycling, hunting and hiking, so the diversity of the Price Field Office landscape excites her. Expect to find her on foot patrol, dirt bike, mountain bike and of course in her patrol truck.



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Volunteers Improve The Wedge Overlook

Feb. 7, 2015, was a beautiful day to spend enjoying public lands. Volunteers and BLM employees did just that, by improving campsites, maintaining designated roads, removing excessive fire rings and installing signs at the Wedge. These things were done to enhance recreation

opportunities and help protect the endangered "San Rafael Cactus." The Wedge Overlook, also known as the "Little Grand Canyon," is one of the most breathtaking views in the San Rafael Swell. It overlooks the San Rafael River, and gives visitors a bird's eye view of the

Sid's Mountain Wilderness Study Area. For more information about this area, contact the BLM Price Field Office.

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Volunteers spend time working at the Wedge.

Right: The Wedge Overlook in the San Rafael Swell.



Cleveland-Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry Fascinates Japanese Visitors

In late summer 2015, a month-long dinosaur exposition will take place near Tokyo, Japan. Hundreds of thousands of schoolchildren are expected to attend. Numerous paleontologists will help these students learn about dinosaurs—some with live presentations and some via video.

In preparation for the expo, a Japanese film crew accompanied by Japan's preeminent dinosaur paleontologist, Dr. Yoshikazu Hasegawa, and Utah State University Eastern Prehistoric Museum's paleontologist Dr. Ken Carpenter,

conducted filming at the Cleveland-Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry (CLDQ). The CLDQ bonebed with large sauropod backbones served as a backdrop as Dr. Carpenter talked about why sauropods such as the Camarasaurus got so much larger than the predatory Allosaurus.

Filming also took place in the picnic area with the dramatic and rocky exposures of the Morrison Formation in the background. That particular segment of film will be used to provide a realistic setting for the "dinosaur dig" activity planned for the expo. Additional segments were filmed inside the visitor

center.

With the final interviews captured, the film crew turned into tourists and marveled at the interpretive exhibits. They were especially excited to discover a large panel honoring Jim Madsen. Jim is the former CLDQ paleontologist who conducted most of the original excavation at the site and discovered the Allosaurus that CLDQ is famous for. Apparently, they knew who Jim was and in particular, Dr. Hasegawa claimed him as a friend.

Mike Leschin



Film crews accompany Dr. Hasegawa and Dr. Carpenter at CLDQ.

Protecting the San Rafael Cactus at Millsite

Millsite Reservoir is home to a state park, a busy golf course, and is a popular area for fishing, boating, swimming and riding OHVs on BLM land. It is also one of the few areas in the world that the endangered San Rafael Cactus calls home.

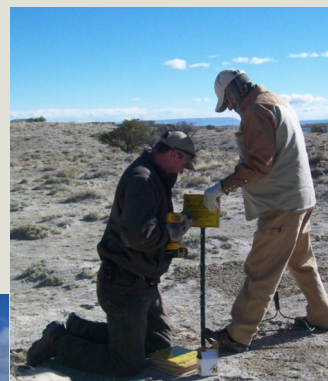
On Feb. 21, 2015, one volunteer and five BLM employees spent the day installing two information kiosks, delineating routes, raking tracks, installing signs and beginning a vegetation rehabilitation plan.

The BLM hopes through education, interpretation, and help from the public, this area can remain open for recreation use while still protecting and enhancing the San Rafael Cactus habitat.

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Volunteer, Terry Sanslow, and BLM employees work side by side to protect the San Rafael Cactus at Millsite.



Volunteers Update Kiosks and Monitor Trails

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Left: Volunteers work on kiosk.

Below: Users ride the Behind the Reef Trail.

Photos:
Joan Powell and
Jaydon Mead



On Feb. 21, 2015, members of the local OHV community spent the day improving their public lands. Volunteers started by updating the three-tier kiosk at the intersection of Goblin Valley and Temple Mountain. They stained the kiosk and then replaced and updated the information.

Once the kiosk was completed, the volunteers rode the Behind the Reef Trail. During their ride, they monitored and documented areas that may need attention in the future. A section of the Behind the Reef Trail connects the Little Wild Horse and Bell Canyon hiking routes. Volunteers updated and replaced missing maps in this section to

help hikers and OHV users stay safe. It is important for users to acknowledge that this section has multiple uses and the BLM appreciates these volunteers helping in this area.

If you would like to be involved in volunteer projects similar to this one, please contact Jaydon Mead at the Price Field Office, (435)636-3646, or jmead@blm.gov.

We appreciate all of the help and support we receive from volunteers.

Jaydon Mead

Where's Wink?

To participate in "Where's WINK?" send your guess to blm_ut_pr_recreation@blm.gov

The first person to correctly guess will receive a prize.

Answers will be provided in the next issue of the Recreation Insider

To get the scoop about this area and other interesting Price Field Office areas, ask WINK himself by calling (435)636-3659 or emailing him at: jwinkler@blm.gov



Where's Wink?

The Price Field Office would like to introduce, showcase, and brag about some of the unique and interesting treasures found on BLM lands we manage in Carbon and Emery Counties.

We will showcase a different area managed by the Price Field Office in future issues of the Recreation Insider.

We invite you, our readers, to guess the location in "Where's WINK?" (WINK is the nickname

for Josh Winkler, a Price Field Office Recreation Planner).

The simple rules are as follows: the first person who correctly guesses WINK's location by submitting the area's common name or latitude/longitude will receive a prize. Submissions should be addressed to: blm_ut_pr_recreation@blm.gov. Winners will be notified via email.

The answer to the "Where's WINK" photo and announcement of the winner will be included in the next version of the Recreation

Insider. The answers provided will contain some general directions so that readers may visit and enjoy the areas showcased. We hope you will enjoy this and future segments of our Recreation Insider.

-Josh Winkler (WINK)



Thus the "Where's WINK?" chronicle begins! This free standing rock has withstood the waters and winds of time. Where was WINK located?

Photo provided by: Josh Winkler.

